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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALDAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTH, Ludgate Circus. E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry. E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WEND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

CHINA.—SWATOW, QUELON & CAMPERDOWN. AMOY, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, HEDDER & Co. Shanghai, LAMB, CRAWFORD & Co. and KELLY & WALSH, Manila. C. HENNING & Co. Macao, L. A. DA GRAGA.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman.—H. HOFFMEYER, Esq.
Deputy Chairman.—F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
AD. ANDER, Esq. A. McIVER, Esq.
R. R. BELLION, Esq. S. W. POMEROY, Esq.
HOB. W. KESWICK, Esq. ED. TOBIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong, . . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
Shanghai, . . . EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

Entertainments.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB OF HONGKONG.

THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give their Fourth Performance of the Season at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, TO-NIGHT,

19th February, when will be presented the Popular Burlesque of "Aladdin or the Wonderful Scamp."

By kind permission of Colonel DICKINS and the Officers of the 28th Regt., the Regimental Band will be in attendance.

Doors Open at 8.30. Performance to Commence at Nine o'clock.
Tickets may be had at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

CHAS. C. COHEN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 19, 1877. fe20

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. FRITZ LANGEN'S Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. mc1

NOTICE.

MR. J. F. CONDES' Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. mol

NOTICE.

THE Authority given Mr. ALFRED HERTZ to sign our Firm by Procuration has been withdrawn.
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

NOTICE.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION.
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, February 2, 1877. ap2

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been authorized to sign for us by Procuration. We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. ap2

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Under-signed.

WM. CRUICKSHANK,
Manager.
Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Under-signed under the name of MESTERY & HUI has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN,
W. HUISE.
Canton, December 31, 1876. ap2

Auctions.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE. PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Under-signed has received instructions from Dr. Geo. DOPS, to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 2nd day of March, 1877, at 12 o'clock Noon, at his Residence, 2, College Gardens,—

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of: Drawing-Room Furniture in Walnut, made by Whitlock and Finlay of Edinburgh; Dining-room Furniture in Mahogany, by Finlay of Edinburgh; Brussels Carpets, Pictures, Glass-ware, Crockery, Bed-room Furniture, Books, Wines, &c.

A Semi-Grand PIANO, by Collard and Collard.

A SEWING MACHINE for Hand or Foot, by Singer.

A JARDINIÈRE, by Motzia of London.

LOBBY FURNITURE, in Black-wood.

And,
One Parlour BILLIARD TABLE, with Balls, Cues, &c., complete.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 26th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, February 19, 1877. mc2

To Let.

NO. 3, PRINCE STREET, ELGIN STREET, with Immediate Possession.

Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO BE LET.

THE PREMISES No. 39, Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of the BORNEO COMPANY.
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 7, Calne Road, lately occupied by Mr. PARKER.
House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KID.
House No. 11, Seymour Terrace, at present occupied by Mr. N. J. EBB, furnished or unfurnished.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, February 18, 1877.

TO BE LET.

THE Premises at present occupied by the International Ice Manufacturing Co., Limited.

For particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, December 11, 1876.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44, Queen's Road.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ****, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [ap5]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in an Account of Business Contributed during the Half Year ended 31st December, 1876, on or before the 28th Instant, on which Date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Directors,
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, February 12, 1877. mol

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending on 30th December last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1) per Share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUFF & Co.

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,
38, Queen's Road,
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHRONOMETERS,
&c., &c., &c.,

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. tf

W. BALL,

CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAVA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf,
Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

AH YON,

SHIPS' COMPADORE AND STEVEDORE,
No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

FROM This Date the Office of this Agency are REMOVED to the Premises in the Praya Central lately occupied by Messrs GILMAN & Co., next to Messrs Russell & Co.'s Building.
H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, February 1, 1877. mol

Intimations.

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NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE CO.

THE BUSINESS of this Company has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE CO., of 20, Old Broad Street, London.

By Order of the Proprietors,
WILLIAM HUNT,
Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE CO.

20, Old Broad Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.
CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING.
RESERVE FUND, £340,000

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement, THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT CO., and has Appointed Mr. A. McIVER, as its AGENT in Hongkong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT J. LODGE,
Manager.

THE Under-signed is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE CO. by any First Class Steamer.

A. McIVER,
Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877. au17

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.

THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the Consulate, all Information and Particulars they may require.

For the Consul,
G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.
Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

The Steamship "YESSO," Captain PUNCHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 21st Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877. fe21

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Capt. THEBAUD, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 24th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
A. MACDONALD, Agent.
Hongkong, February 17, 1877. fe24

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The British Steamer "CAITENSMITH," Capt. THEBAUD, will receive immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, February 10, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

(If sufficient Inducement offers.)
The 3/4 L. 1. 1. Russian Ship "VANADIS," WELAND, Master, will load here and have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, Sugar or Measurement, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 4 1/2 American Ship "MENEAR," W. TAYLOR, Master, will load here, and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 12 years 3/4 L. 1. 1. Danish Bark "KORSOR," L. O. GHORV, Master, will load here, and will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

The 4 1/2 British Ship "STAR OF CHINA," BEAKES, Master, will load here and have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

FOR LONDON.

The 4 1/2 British Ship "ENGLAND'S GLORY," KNIGHT, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The British Bark "SPIRIT OF THE AGE," Captain JOHNSON, will have a quick despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ROZARIO & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

FOR HAMBURG.

The 4 1/2 German Barque "ALBATROSS," KOPPELMANN, Master, will load here and at Whampoa, and have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. TRAVANCORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the NIZAM and DECCAN, from London, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 21st Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded by the following Steamer, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, February 14, 1877. fe21

NOTICE.

THE BRITISH SHIP TYBURNIA, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. DU POUY,
Agent.
Ex Melkong, December 29th, 1876.

Ex Ava, January 11th, 1877.

THO No. 1, 2 cases Stores.

GD No. 1, 1 case Paper.

Ex Amoy, January 24th, 1877.

OE, one box Sundries.

Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. TIGRE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "Euphrate," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 9th Instant, at 6 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Under-signed.

Goods remaining undelivered after Thursday, the 15th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, February 9, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIBRE,"
Comdt. De GIERARD, will be
despatched for YOKOHAMA
shortly after the arrival of the next French
Mail.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 19, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"ANADYR,"
Comdt. De BUTLER, will be
despatched for SHANGHAI
shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 19, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,
SMALLA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,
AND MARSILLAS;

Also,

BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 22nd February,
1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S.
"AMAZON," Commandant MONTMAYE,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and so
on in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Shipping orders will be granted till noon,
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m.,
Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 21st February, 1877. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 19, 1877.



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediter-
ranean Ports, Southampton
and London;

Also,

Bombay, Madras and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"ZAMBESI," Captain SIMONS, will leave
this on THURSDAY, the 1st March, at
Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. McIVER, Superintendent
Hongkong, February 19, 1877.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Cairnmuir, Captain
SPOWART, having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk, and
stored in Messrs NORTON & CO.'s Godowns
whence "from the Boats or Wharf deliv-
ery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to
Yokohama, unless notice to the contrary is
given before 2 p.m. To-day.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
24th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 19, 1877.



TREASURY BILLS.

TENDERS OF SPECIE, Mexican Dol-
lars current in this Colony, weighing
7.17, in exchange for Bills, drawn at 10
days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury, will be received
by the Treasurer until 11 a.m. on WEDNES-
DAY, the 21st instant.

The Tenders to state the Total Amount
required, and the amount for which each
Bill should be drawn; but no Bills will be
issued for sums below \$1,000.
The Tenders to be in duplicate, in Sealed
Covers, addressed to "The Treasurer," and
endorsed "Tenders for Treasury Bills."
The right to accept, or reject, any or all
Tenders is reserved.

C. B. SHERVINGTON,
Lieut. Colonel,
Assistant Commissary General,
Treasury Office, Commissioners Buildings,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, February 19, 1877.

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE, 1874.
BRUNO & CO., MONOPOLIST.
DEETJEN & Co.

Hongkong, February 19, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE.
MOET & CHANDON.
GRAND OREMENT.
Quarts \$18, Pints \$16.

GRAND VIN DE BOURGOGNE.
CHAMBERTIN, \$15 per Doz.
ROMANEE CONTI, " 17 " "
RIOEBOURG, " 17 " "

Apply to
ED. CHASTEL,
Queen's Road, Opposite Hongkong Club,
Hongkong, February 19, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

Star of China, British ship, Captain E.
B. Blaker.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
Nehemiah Gibson, American barque,
Captain D. Bradford.—Arnhold, Karberg
& Co.

Bonito, German barque, Captain J. F.
Wesenberg.—Siemssen & Co.
Alden Besse, American barque, Captain
S. Noyes.—Rozario & Co.

Trypania, British ship, Captain Robt.
Golden.—Meyer & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 17, Formosa, Brit. 3-m. schooner,
881, W. T. Quagle, Newcastle (N.S.W.),
Dec. 81, Coala.—Siemssen & Co.

Feb. 18, Douglas, British steamer, 864,
E. Burnie, Foochow Feb. 18, Amoy 16,
and Swatow 17, Tea and Treasure, &c.—
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Feb. 19, U. S. S. Ashuelot, 1100, E. O.
Mathews, Saigon Feb. 8, Hoihow, Feb. 10,
6 guns, and 700 horse-power.
Feb. 19, Amazon, French steamer, 1807,
Mortemard, Shanghai Feb. 18, General.—
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Feb. 19, Cairnmuir, Brit. steamer, 1128,
Spowart, London Dec. 18, via Suez, Pe-
nang Feb. 8, and Singapore 16.—OLDFIELD,
Wise & Co.

Feb. 19, Oceanic, British steamer, 2849,
H. Parrell, San Francisco Jan. 16, and
Yokohama Feb. 13, Mails and General.—
G. B. EXOR.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 19, Lucky, for Bangkok;
19, City of Peking, for Yokohama and
San Francisco.

19, Presto, for Whampoa.

CLEARED.

Montgomeryshire, for Saigon,
Paul Marie, for Newchwang,
Pau Tah, for Canton.

Danube, for Bangkok.
Alyington, for Tientsin.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Amazon, from Shanghai: for Hong-
kong, Mr. Leith, Col. Muggridge, Messrs
Schomberg, Howard, D. C. Forbes, Min-
nie, Lucas, Miss Mansfield, Mr. McLeod,
Mr. and Mrs. Jerdine, and 3 Chinese; for
Singapore, Mr. Colzon; for Suez, Mr.
Crasemann; for Marseilles, Messrs Norton,
Hitch, Blancheton, Jaffray, and Pichon.

Per Oceanic, from San Francisco, Mrs. L.
G. Renant, Mr. John Brown, and 106
Chinese; from Yokohama, Mr. F. E. Foster,
Wife and Servant, Mrs. John Middleton,
and Mrs. J. Plumb.

Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Captain
Luxmoore, R. N., C.B., Mr. and Mrs. Craig,
Messrs Wilcox, Dodd, Corner, Campbell,
Baker, and Alexander, 1 European and 27
Chinese deck.

Per Cairnmuir, from Straits, 83 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per City of Peking, for San Francisco,
Miss Anderson, Mrs. F. D. Hamilton, Mr.
and Mrs. J. H. Drummond, Mr. G. W.
Silver, v.s.n., and 63 Chinese. For Yokohama,
Mr. and Mrs. Marks and 3 children
and servant, and Capt. F. Williams.

TO DEPART.
Per Montgomeryshire, for Saigon, 30
Chinese.

Per Danube, for Bangkok, 10 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The U. S. S. Ashuelot reports: Fine
weather up to Hainan, thence to port dirty
weather with strong N.E. monsoon.

The British steamer Cairnmuir reports:
Strong N.E. monsoon last three days, and
experienced "terrible" weather from the
English Channel to Gibraltar.

The British steamer Oceanic reports:
Hard westerly gales with high sea nearly
the whole passage from San Francisco to
Yokohama, thence to Hongkong moderate
to strong winds.

The British 3-m. schooner Formosa re-
ports: Light variable winds and calms to
the Equator, being 80 days from port to
there. Crossed the Equator in 183 E. on
the 30th Jan., from thence fresh N.E.
winds to the Ballantyne Channel, after
passing through which fell in with a heavy
gale from N.N.W. to N.E. with high cross
sea, losing part of bulwarks and splitting
several sails. The Rovers and Anna H.
Hall left Newcastle before us for this port,
and the German barque Jacobina which left
five days after us passed us at Stewart's
Island.

The British steamer Douglas reports:
From Foochow to Amoy had fresh mon-
soon and fine weather. From Amoy to
Swatow, moderate N.E. wind and
drizzling rain. From Swatow to Hong-
kong, fresh northerly wind and squally
with rain. In Foochow—B. M. S. Hornet.
In Amoy—S. S. Cheong Hock Kian and
Madagascar. In Swatow—S. S. Chefoo.
French war-vessel Tulkmen called at Swa-
tow and left again for Amoy on 17th. Off
Pedro Blanco, passed S. S. Hailong bound
North.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For HONGKONG.—
Per DANUBE, at 5 p.m. To-morrow,
the 20th inst., instead of as pre-
viously notified.

For SWATOW.—
Per NORN, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
20th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per YESSO, at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the
20th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per YESSO, at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the
20th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet "AMAZON,"
will be despatched on THURSDAY,
the 22nd instant, with
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till

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Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The following is corrected from the latest
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DEPARTURES.

Sept. 17, Palestine, from London to Hong-
kong.

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Oct. 8, Glamorganshire, from London to
Hongkong.

Oct. 13, Omba, from London to Shanghai.

Oct. 14, Sir Harry Parkes, from London to
Hongkong.

Nov. 12, Lima, from London to Hongkong.

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Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to
Shanghai.

Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.

Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to
Hongkong.

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kong.

Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.

Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.

Dec. 4, Bendulutha, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.

Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to
Hongkong.

Dec. 17, Carrioka, from London to Hong-
kong.

Dec. 18, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.

Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-
kong.

Dec. 21, John Nicholson, from New York
to Shanghai.

Dec. 23, Sophie, from New York to Hong-
kong.

Dec. 23, Ino, from Greenock to Swatow.

Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghai.

Dec. 28, Antenor (str.), from London to
Shanghai.

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Shanghai.

Dec. 28, Cadman, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.

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London) to Hongkong.

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Hongkong.

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China and Japan.

Jan. 4, Macgregor (str.), from London to
Shanghai.

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don to Shanghai.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Shamers via Suez Canal.
Viking.
Radnorshire.

Sailing Vessels.
Windhover. Forward Ho.
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At Liverpool.
Kestrel (str.). Agassimon (str.).
Duna.

At Glasgow.
London Castle (str.).

General Memoranda.

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11 a.m.—Tenders for Treasury Bills re-
ceived by the Assistant Commissary
General.

Goods per Transvaal undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

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Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
Call and Europe.

SATURDAY, February 24:—

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this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, March 1:—

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of Call and Europe.
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S.S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

FRIDAY, March 2:—

Noon.—Sale of Household Furniture, at
Dr. G. Dodd's residence, College Gardens.
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The
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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW

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MARRIAGE.

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Shanghai Gas Works, to Miss E. GRIMES,
both of Manchester, England.

DEATH.

At Shanghai, on the 11th Feb., ALLEN
S. MARSHALL, aged 26, 3rd officer of the
P. & O. S. S. Zambesi. Deceased was ac-
cidentally thrown from his horse and killed.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEB. 19, 1877.

REVIEW.

A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantonese Dia-
lect. By Ernest John Eitel, Ph.D.
Tubing. 1877. Part I. A—K.
Hongkong: Lane, Crawford & Co.

Great expectations were awakened in the
minds of students of the Chinese language
generally, and especially on the part of
those resident in or professionally connected
with the province of Kwangtung, by the
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Williams' Tonic Dictionary from the pen
of Dr. Eitel; and now with the first instal-
ment of the promised work before us we
can confidently say that these expectations
are by no means disappointed. Seven
years have elapsed since the learned Doctor
made his mark in Anglo-Chinese literature
by the publication of his Handbook to
Chinese Buddhism, and every one felt con-
fident that a scholarly and systematic treat-
ment of the abundant material accumulated
not only by his predecessor but also by
himself might be looked for at such hands,
and this confidence has not been misplaced.
We congratulate the indefatigable author
upon having steadily adhered to the syl-
labic form first adopted by Dr. Williams.
By so doing he has, we doubt not, secured
the success of his work by keeping in view
its practical value rather than aiming at
more scientific or theoretical accuracy of
form. That he has in this matter been
content to walk in the path prescribed by
Dr. Williams is very significant when we
look at the radical change of plan intro-
duced with such happy results in the treat-
ment of each individual character. Instead
of a confused collection of examples we
have here first the purely syllabic use of
each word, next is illustrated "ordinary
literary style or high class conversational
language" styled "mixed," and lastly the
every-day colloquial, all clearly distinguish-
ed from each other. To each example is
given not only the sound in English but
the Chinese characters also, and immense
advantage in every way, whilst reference
to Kanghi and to other dictionaries on his
model is facilitated by the simple device of
writing above each leading character the

number of the Radical under which it is to
be found and the strokes composing it.
Besides giving the Mandarin sounds in the
orthography of both Williams and Wade,
we notice another important feature, namely
the constant quoting of the authority for
the various definitions, whether it be Kan-
gi, Dr. Legge, the Fan Wan, or any other
of the numerous sources laid under con-
tribution. The labour involved in consult-
ing these works and in collecting and ver-
ifying the results must have been immense;
the comparison of any article with the
corresponding

Mr Kingsmill: I beg to second the motion, and I will add that the thanks of the Company are due to the Directors and Secretary for the pluck with which they have met the emergencies which they had to face.

Carried unanimously.
The Chairman: I am very glad to find myself, and so, I have no doubt, my co-Directors and the Secretary, that our labours are appreciated by you, and that what we have endeavoured to do has met with such a kind recognition at your hands. We have done what we have done heartily and with one object in view—to improve the value of the interests of the shareholders in this Company. We have confidence that we shall succeed; it may not be immediately, but certainly we shall succeed in bringing the Company through all its difficulties (applause).
The proceedings then terminated.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The S. S. Douglas has gone to Aberdeen Dock.

The S. S. Cairnmuir reports terrific weather from the English Channel to Gibraltar.

Notice is given in Saturday's *Gazette* that all applications made for the direct clearance of British ships to any port whatever of the Sulu Archipelago will be complied with.

The maximum temperature at the Peak during the past week, was 63.0, the minimum 37.0; at the Harbour-Master's Office, the maximum was 69.0, and the minimum 45.0. 1.03 inches rain fell during the week.

The Horticultural Society's Challenge Cups have been awarded, that for Plants and Flowers to Mr Choa Chee-bee, comprador to the China Sugar Refinery, exhibiting in Mr Dickie's name, and that for Vegetables to Mr H. Dickie; Mr Romano making a good show for second place.

The Cricket Match, Club v. The Coast Team, was commenced to-day under most favourable circumstances as regards the weather. The match was very closely contested on either side, and some very good play was the result. We hold over a fuller report until the conclusion of the game, which will be resumed to-morrow.

The British 3-masted schooner *Formosa*, Captain W. T. Quaglie, from Newcastle (N.S.W.), reports having experienced a heavy Gale from N.N.W. to N.E. after passing through the Balabang Channel, in which she lost part of her bulwarks, split several sails, and suffered other damage. She further reports that the *Rosina* and *Anna H. Hall* left Newcastle for this before her, and that the *Jacobina*, which left Newcastle 5 days after her, had passed them off Stewart's Island.

The Superintendent of the Eastern Extension, Australasian and China Telegraph Company informs us that the cable between Hongkong and Cape St. James was broken during the night or early on the morning of the 15th instant. It was working well up to nine o'clock on the previous evening, and it is reasonable to suppose that it has been caught by a vessel's anchor or otherwise injured. The fault is only a few miles from Hongkong. The Company's steamer *Edinburgh* may be expected to leave Singapore at once to effect repairs.

From the Acting Registrar-General's report of the births and deaths in the Colony for the past quarter, it appears that 541 births and 1,036 deaths were registered in that period. During the the past year the total births were 1,840, and the deaths 3,468. Of the former 171 occurred among the British and foreign community and 1,669 among the Chinese. The deaths were thus distributed:—British, 30; Portuguese, 51; Indian, 16; Malay, 8; Non-residents, 43; Chinese, 8,281. The annual death-rate per 1,000 for the whole population was 28.18 against 25.87 in 1875; for the British and foreign community, deducting non-residents, 22.92, against 20.94 in 1875; for the Chinese, 28.39 against 26.75 in 1875. Four deaths from small-pox occurred among the British and foreign community during the year, and 165 among the Chinese.

Our Macao correspondent writes: "The Procession of the first Sunday in Lent took place with the usual solemnity. Upwards of one hundred Portuguese from Hongkong took part in it."

"Yesterday evening another conflagration broke out, this time in the village of Colowan, Typa, and before assistance could be rendered, the whole village was destroyed. It is said that the fire originated from the burning of joss-paper. The village of Colowan, formerly a pirate stronghold, was taken possession of in the name of the Queen of Portugal, in 1848, by Governor Amaral, of happy memory, who drove the pirates away, and erected a fort for the protection of the fishing and salt boats, which resorted to the place for the sake of curing their fish. The village increased in importance from year to year, and soon afterwards the Portuguese obtained from it a good revenue for their Exchequer. The

Mandarins, then unable to cope with the pirates, were only too glad of the action taken by the Portuguese. This is the second time that the village has been destroyed by fire.

An effort is being made to re-establish St. John's College, and as the Bishop is taking up the matter heartily, I have no doubt that in a short time Macao will boast of a house of education second to none in the East. The decree of the King of Portugal, giving full powers to the Bishop to act as he pleases, will remove any obstacle that may be put in the way by the faction who drove the Jesuit fathers away from Macao in 1871."

Hedge & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 10th February, 1877.

Arrivals During the Week.—Feb. 3, Haining, from Shanghai; 8, Keno, from Hongkong; 3, Yung Woo, from Hongkong; 4, Ling Feng, from Amoy; 4, Kearsarge, from Amoy; 5, Fu Yew, Shanghai; 5, Glenroy, from Shanghai; 5, Achilles, from Shanghai; 7, Florence Nightingale, from Shanghai; 8, Vista, from Amoy.

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Shipping in Port.—Wm. Manson, Yung Woo, Ling Feng, Kearsarge, Fu Yew, Florence Nightingale, Vista.

Tax Office papers announce that from the beginning of next month the Messageries Maritimes steamers will make Colombo a port of call, outward and homeward, as well as Galle.

There seems to be some fatality attending the management of steamers in these days. Scarcely a mail comes but brings news of the total loss of large and valuable steamers somewhere or another, and generally not from rough weather. Thus the latest Australian papers contain accounts of the loss of two steamers early in December, and both in smooth seas. One was the West Australian Government Mail boat, the *Georgie*. When on her way from Fremantle to Port Adelaide with a cargo of jarrah wood, she suddenly sprung a heavy leak and had to be run ashore to save life, and cargo. The other was the *Olago*, one of the finest steamers in the intercolonial trade. She went ashore in a fog on the coast of New Zealand and became a total wreck. No lives, happily, were lost in either case.—*Strait Times*.

ROBERTS, the Champion billiard player of the world, who thinks nothing of a break of 30, passed through Galle the other day and played a game there with one of the residents. The champion gave his opponent 300 points in a game of 500, and he was content, scoring only 295 when the game was finished. The Singapore are naturally jubilant and the local champion is thus described in the *Ceylon Observer* under the cognomen of *Observer*:—"Observer is about the same height (as Roberts 5 ft. 11) and a very well-knit man, light, almost sandy hair, genial in countenance and looks as if he was 'well stabled.' An air of cool indifference plays on his face during the game. He is a British-born subject, by religion a Protestant, a 'Bawbee Dealer' by trade, and hails from the land which flows with burgoo and whiskey; of the latter he takes but little if any, but he smokes (his only bad habit)."

From the vague reference to the subject by the Queensland and Sydney papers we had some doubts in noting the news on Wednesday whether H. E. Sir W. Jervois was the Officer whom the Australians wish the Secretary of State to depute to report upon their defence, but these doubts have been set at rest by the following paragraph from one of the leading papers in Melbourne, *The Australasian*, received by the French mail:

An application made on behalf of the Australian Governments will be sent by the mail to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, asking him to bring under the notice of the War Office the request that a Royal Engineer officer of high standing may be sent out to these colonies to devise a proper scheme of defence. The Governments of the adjoining colonies have joined in this application, and the name of Sir William F. D. Jervois, who is at present Governor of the Straits Settlements, has been mentioned as that of an officer admirably qualified for the duty. During the course of a lengthened military career, Sir William Jervois has obtained great experience in the art of fortification. In 1866 he was appointed assistant inspector-general of fortifications, and in 1869 he acted as secretary to the Defence Commission. In 1868 he became deputy director of fortifications at the War Office, and during that and the two following years he was a member of the commission on the application of iron armour to ships and forts. Fortifications and harbour defences at Portsmouth, Plymouth, Pembroke, Portland, the Thames, the Mersey, Cork, and other places, have been designed and carried out by him. His services have frequently been utilized in the manner now sought for. He is the author of numerous reports on the defences of the United Kingdom, and of the British possessions abroad, and was specially employed by the Government of India to report on the defence of the harbours of India, including those of Aden and British Burmah. In February, 1876, he was appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Straits Settlements. If his services cannot be obtained for this purpose, the military authorities will be requested to send out another officer of similar standing. Our Sydney telegram informs us that the Governor of New South Wales on Monday telegraphed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, asking whether Sir W. Jervois would come out, and if so, what the cost would be.

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Tsi Aro, a stone-cutter, was charged with stealing a jacket belonging to his late employer. The defendant said the complainant owed him three mace silver, and he took the quilt in lieu of payment. 14 days' hard labour.

SUPREME COURT.
IN ORIGINAL SESSIONS.
(Sitting in His Lordship the Chief Justice Sir JOHN SMALLE.)
February 19, 1877.
LARGENT OF JEWELLERY.
Regina v. Lee Ahim.
The prisoner was indicted for stealing on the 22nd January 1876, one coral neck-lace, six gold studs, one gold coin and three trinkets, the property of Mr John Humby, the proprietor of the Empire Tavern.
The Hon. J. Phillippo, the Attorney General, prosecuted.
The following Jury was empanelled:—Messrs Fitz Rapp, C. F. W. Petersen, J. J. Dorrinck, Wm. Wheeler, J. A. de Jesus, C. P. Chater and C. F. Grossmann.
Mr L. Mendel was excused on condition of his serving to-morrow.

In opening the case for the prosecution, the Attorney General said the evidence in this case would not be long, and it was for the Jury to say whether there was sufficient testimony for them to find that the prisoner was guilty of the offence charged against him. The property was not found. The learned Attorney General then narrated the facts, which were briefly these. The prisoner was a water cooler and had been known to the prosecutor for eight or nine years. Since the prosecutor became proprietor of the Empire Tavern, the prisoner was employed every Saturday to clean up the house. On the 22nd January 1876, just the Saturday before the Chinese New Year, the prisoner came to work as usual, but left earlier. After he had gone, the prosecutor went upstairs and found that he had lost the things described in the information. The prisoner was never seen since that time until the 29th January 1877, when he was found in the street and given into custody. There was, however, no evidence that he actually took away the things, but there was the fact of his having gone away after this robbery and not having been heard of since.

Evidence was then called, and the Jury returned a verdict of not guilty against the prisoner, who was accordingly discharged.

LARGENT OF MONEY &c.
Regina v. Chai Pak Kuen.
The prisoner was indicted on two counts for stealing and receiving £120 in money, 20 pieces of clothing, 1 silver coin, 2 corn-lan rings, 1 locket and 1 watch guard, the property of Kwan Achee, from the house of Dr G. O. Rogers, on the 26th June 1876.
The facts of the case were these. The prosecutor was cook to Dr Rogers, and on the 27th June last, he went to the Theatre at nearly 6 and did not return till about 11 p.m. Before he went out, he locked up his room, but on his return, he found that it had been broken into during his absence, and a great many things were stolen. Some suspicion was entertained of the prisoner and he was arrested by the police. He was in the same service as a chair-cooler, and before he was discharged, he was arrested by the police, who found in his boxes several things which were identified by the prosecutor. There were several pawn tickets found in his possession for a number of articles of wearing apparel, but they did not refer to articles lost by the prosecutor. There was no actual evidence of his taking the things, but it was for the Jury, the Attorney General observed, to say whether, taking into consideration the fact of some of the articles having been found in his possession, that he did steal them or not.

The prisoner was found guilty and was sent to two years' hard labour.

BURGLARY AND LARGENT.
Regina v. Leong A-Loi.
The prisoner was indicted for committing a burglary in house No. 184 Queen's Road West. When he was called upon to make his defence, he then pleaded guilty. He was sent to two years' hard labour.
The Sessions were then adjourned till 10 a.m. to-morrow.

China.
FOOTING.
(Herald, Feb. 8.)
The Chinese revenue Cruiser *Ling Feng* arrived in port on the 4th instant. We understand that she will leave for Wenchow with Customs staff immediately after the native new year holidays.

Mr Consul Davenport arrived per *Haining* from Shanghai on the 3rd instant, and proceeded to Wenchow on the 8th, in H. M. S. *Hornet*. In a few days, therefore, we may expect to see the opening of that port to foreign trade officially announced.

Ting Futai left Kelung and Tamsui about the middle of last month for Taiwanfoo. His Excellency travelled overland, attended we hear by the principal Formosan officials. During his stay at Kelung, the Futai minutely inspected the coal mines at that place, and appeared to be much interested in the working of same.

The Committee of the A. D. C. have announced their third performance of the season, to take place on Saturday evening next, the 10th inst., at 8 o'clock. The pieces selected for representation are "Poor Pollicoddy," and "I've Eaten My Friend." We are requested to state that tickets may be obtained from Messrs Hedge & Co., to whom application should be made before

hand,—if confusion and unnecessary detention at the door are to be avoided.

We hear that the China Merchants Company intend to run one or more of their steamers regularly between this port and Shanghai. The *Fu Yeh* is announced to clear at Pagoda Anchorage to-morrow, Friday morning, at daylight. Now it is worth noting that while foreign-owned vessels are compelled to take out clearances at the Custom House in Nantai, only this company's steamer is—on the authority of its agent—privileged to clear its vessels at the Anchorage, at daylight! We feel tempted to enquire, in the words of the illustrious Artemus Ward—"Why are these things thusly?"

It is not every man that can achieve an overland journey from Amoy to Foochow in fifteen days; it has however just been accomplished by two foreign residents of the former port. The Couriers, of course, scramble over it in thirty-eight hours; but then their movements are connected with that arch-annihilator of time, profit, and space—the telegraph. Therefore until such time as Providence, and the China Merchants Company compel us to abandon the luxury of a journey by sea, we shall refrain from advising our readers to adopt the overland route.

SHANGHAI.
(News.)
The water in the Yangtze has risen so that the steamers which have been lately detained in the upper reaches have now managed to get over. On Tuesday there were five arrivals of river boats.
A case of some interest was argued on Friday before C. W. Goodwin, Esq., the Acting Chief Judge of H. B. M.'s Supreme Court. It was one between the China Navigation Company and Mr. Robert Francis; and was stated specially for the opinion of the Court. Mr. Francis was formerly a general merchant at Shanghai and Kiukiang, and at the latter port his business included the agency of the C. N. Co. Residing at Shanghai, he only occasionally visited Kiukiang, where his business was conducted by Mr. W. H. Shaw, who signed the firm of R. Francis and Co. per procurationem. It was customary for the general agents of the company, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, to make advances, on their own account, to Chinese merchants, upon goods intended for shipment by the company's steamers. In March, 1876, the Kiukiang agency was transferred from R. Francis and Co. to R. Anderson and Co. At the same time Mr. Shaw entered the service of the latter firm, but continued to represent R. Francis and Co., which firm went into liquidation. In the final accounts of the agency from R. Francis and Co. signed by Mr. Shaw, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire were debited with Tls. 6,073 as advanced to shippers, and Tls. 67 as brokerage. Shaw, in the name of R. Francis and Co., drew upon Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for these amounts, and the draft was duly honoured. Subsequently Messrs. Anderson and Co. discovered that the money represented to have been advanced had not been advanced, nor had the brokerage mentioned been paid; and upon investigation the only inference to be drawn was that Shaw, who has now left China, had appropriated the money to his own use.—The question for the Court to determine was the liability of the defendant to refund the deficiency of his sub-agent, and the point was lengthily argued by Mr. Wainwright and Mr. Hamen, who respectively appeared for the plaintiffs and defendant.

Judgment was given in favour of the defendant as regards the larger amount of Tls. 6,073.30, and in favour of the plaintiffs as regards the Tls. 67.18. The Judge held that, although a principal is liable for the tort or negligence of his agent, yet we are to understand the doctrine with its just limitation, that the tort or negligence occurs in the course of the agency. A principal is not liable for the acts of his agent in matters beyond the scope of his agency unless he has expressly authorised them to be done, or has subsequently adopted them. Shaw was certainly acting beyond the scope of his agency in misappropriating money.—The Tls. 67.18 was altogether another matter. It was simply a brokerage which Shaw entered as paid, but which he had never paid; and in being required to repay it Francis and Co. are simply required to rectify an erroneous entry. Shaw may or may not have contrived to pocket the sum himself, but he at any rate neglected to pay it, and plaintiffs could not be debited with it in their general account with Francis and Co.

HANKOW.
Feb. 9th.
Messrs. Baber and Gill started on the 7th instant for Chungking, and Mr. Dick left on the following day for Ichang—both in Chinese houseboats. The weather is bitterly cold, and I do not envy any of the travellers their journey; the ground is covered with snow, and now it is turning to frost. Mr. W. W. King, accompanied by Mr. Octavius Johnson of H. M. Consular service, left for Ichang on the 6th, in the gunboat *Kestrel*. Captain Hardie of the U. N. steamer *Shanghai* accompanies the party. The water is rising hand over fist—a good thing for the *Kestrel*, as well as for the river steamers.—*N. C. L. News*.

The Straits.
(Singapore *Laily Times*.)
His Imperial German Majesty's steam corvette *Vivetta*, Captain Count Von Mante, from Manila, with dates to the 24th ultimo, anchored in the roads this morning (Feb. 2nd) and saluted the British flag which salute was returned from Fort Canjion.
The U. S. steam frigate *Tennessee*, Captain Young, bearing the flag of Rear Admiral William Reynolds, Commander-in-chief of the American Squadron in China and Japan, anchored in the roads yesterday (Feb. 4th) from Bangkok, which port she left on the 31st ultimo.
We are informed, that the Straits steamer *Sharpshooter*, was sold at Pinang lately for the sum of \$16,000, and that she will run between that port and Achom.
The following items of news are translated from Java papers to the 27th ultimo:—
"We understand that the *Bromo* during her last voyage through Banka Straits lay for 24 hours alongside a Swedish vessel, the *Kron-prins Adolf*, from Hongkong to London, which had become fixed on the Karang Headland. During all that time foul weather and a rough sea prevented communication between the two vessels. It is said that on the anchored there are to be seen the remains of an unknown steamer from Amoy or Hongkong, which had apparently been

lately wrecked there."—*Batavia Dagblad*, 26th ult.
"The American ship *Gentoo* which was stranded on Neptunus Sandbank; was with the remainder of her cargo sold by auction on the 12th instant for 20,316 guilders. The saved 18,815 cases of petroleum brought 182,800 guilders on the 16th inst."—*Batavia Handelsblad*, 18th ult.
"Yesterday there took place in front of Janssen's store here, a deed of violence which we hope will not remain unpunished. The account given by the victim, a passenger car driver, when he recovered consciousness in the hospital, runs as follows:—From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on that day he drove about in his car a European dressed in a black coat, and wearing a straw hat, and a light coloured moustache, and having an eruption on one side of the face. Having arrived in front of Janssen's store with his passenger the driver asked for his fare, because his horse was tired and he had nothing to eat. The European gave him two *kuartjes* with which he was naturally dissatisfied; when however he asked for more he received no other answer than 'go away,' which he answered with the remark that he would do so forthwith when he had received his money. The other party thereupon turned round, went into the store and immediately returned with a large iron pin with which without any further speaking he gave him a blow on the head. The iron fell, and the assailant replaced the native pin inside the store and endeavoured calmly to go away, but was prevented from doing so by the bystanders, and hence he remained on the spot, where a great crowd of people soon gathered around the pool of blood mixed with hair from the head, while they pointed out to one another the man with the straw hat as the perpetrator. The person thus pointed at stood smoking his cigar keeping his countenance as well as he could, and from time to time asking the bystanders in English whether they would assert that he had done it. He was apparently somewhat intoxicated. Shortly afterwards just when the wounded man had been conveyed to the city hospital, the police Inspector stationed at Giodok came, to whom the man in the straw hat stated that he was an Englishman, the captain of a Siamese schooner, and that he was utterly innocent of the crime. None of the bystanders declared having seen him, and hence no right to detain the Englishman, who went on board his vessel. Scarcely two hours afterwards the police had taken down the statement of the wounded man, and had succeeded in finding three witnesses of the deed, whereby they obtained an order for arrest. In the meantime the Harbour authorities had been instructed not to let the vessel of the suspected man be cleared out. Early this morning the water police went on board, but the Captain was no longer there. The vessel was then removed close to the guard ship in order to have her in view. The suspected Englishman seems however to have made no effort to escape. At least at half-past one, he, in company with two of his countrymen and the water police Inspector, came to the bureau of the Assistant Resident. According to our latest information the native had not yet died of the wound, but there was no great hope of the preservation of his life."—*Batavia Dagblad*, 23rd ultimo.
"The native passenger car driver who, the day before yesterday, in front of Janssen's store, received a blow on the head with a large iron pin is still alive. The English ship Captain was arrested when he came to the *Stadhuis* to ask for leave to clear his vessel out. He is in prison. He denies the fact, but what he supposes that I had done it, what then? Cannot a person here give a salience to an impudent native? Supposing that he has done it, he will assuredly soon become aware of the contrary."—*Ibid*, 24th ultimo.
"Captain R. of the schooner *Lucie*, who struck a passenger car boy and who fled to Buitenzorg after committing the deed, was, we hear, arrested yesterday."—*Java Bode*, 24th ultimo.

Quotations.
HONGKONG, Feb. 19, 1877.
OPUM.—New Patna, cash, \$577½ a 580
" New Benares, cash, 540 a 542½
" New Malwa, cash, 555
" credit, 560
" Allowance Teels, 5 c 20
" Old Malwa, cash, 570
" credit, 575
" Allowance Teels, 12 a 20
CAMPOR, 16
QUICKSILVER, 68
SALTPETRE, 5.50

Exchange.
Bank, on demand, 4/2
" 30 days' sight, 4/2
" 6 months' sight, 4/3
Credits, 4/3
Draughts, 6 months' sight, 4/3
Bombay, 2/28
Calcutta, 2/29
Shanghai, demand, 7/4
" 30 days, 7/5
Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., ... 8 prem.
Mexicans, 1
Gold Leaf, 24.80
English Sovereigns, 4.60
Australian Sovereigns, 4.60
Discount, 10 a 12 %

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Hongkong Bank, 25 % &c div.
d. K. Fire Ins. Co., \$72½
China Fire Ins. Co., \$108
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Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$620
Chinese Insurance Co., \$808
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Yangtze Ins. Association, Tls. 630
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d. K. C. & M. S. Boat Co., \$14 dls.
Shanghai Steam N. Co., Tls. 98 &c div.
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$52½ dls.
Chinese Imperial Loan, \$39

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HONGKONG, Feb. 19, 1877.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. 30.610
Do. 1 P.M. 30.610
Do. 4 P.M. 30.446
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. 42½
Do. 1 P.M. 52½
Do. 4 P.M. 64
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 41
Do. Do. 1 P.M. 44½
Do. Do. 4 P.M. 45½
Do. Maximum, 54
Do. Minimum over night ... 43

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HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, February 17, 1877.
 At 1000 Cash per Dollar Mexican.
Butcher Meat.
 Bacon, English, lb. 450 400
 " Ame. Sugar cured, 300 250
 " Foochow, 160 140
 Beef, airloin and prime cut, 160 150
 Beef Corned, 150 140
 " Roast, 150 140
 " Soup, 90 80
 " Steak, 150 140
 Bullocks' Brains, per set 60 50
 " Tongue, fresh, each 275 250
 " " corned, 320 300
 " Head, 600 500
 " Heart, 150 140
 " Feet, 50 40
 " Kidneys, 60 50
 " Tail, 100 90
 " Liver, 80 60
 " Tripe (undressed), 50 40
 Calves' Head and Feet, set 600 400
 Hams, American, lb. 800 280
 " Chinese, 180 170
 " English, 360 340
 Mutton Chop, 180 170
 " Leg, 180 170
 " Shoulder, 140 120
 " Liver, 140 120
 Pigs' Chittlings, 60 50
 " Feet, 100 90
 " Fry, 110 100
 " Head, 90 80
 " Heart, 60 50
 " Kidneys, 80 70
 " Liver, 100 80
 Pork, Chop, 160 140
 " Corned, 130 120
 " Leg, 180 140
 " Fat or Lard, 110 100
 Sheep's Head and Feet, set 340 320
 " Heart, 50 40
 " Kidneys, 80 70
 Sucking Pigs, 1750 1000
 Veal, 140 120
Poultry.
 Capons, 200 180
 Ducks, 110 100
 Eggs, Hen, 100 —
 " Duck, 100 —
 " Salt, 120 —
 Fowls, 160 150
 Geese, 120 110
 Partridges, 280 250
 Pheasants, Canton, live, pair \$2.00 —
 " Shanghai, dead, 600 —
 Pigeons, 140 120
 Quail, 60 50
 Snipe, 110 100
 Teal, 160 150
 Turkeys, Cook, 700 600
 " Hen, 450 400
 Wild Duck, 350 300
 " Geese, 700 —
 Woodcock, 500 —
Fish.
 Bombay Ducks, new per hundred 350 300
 Bream, 100 90
 Carp, 80 70
 Codfish, Salt, 200 —
 Crabs, 180 140
 Cuttle Fish, 90 80
 Dace, 100 90
 File Fish, 80 60
 Fresh Fish, Large 130 120
 " Small, 90 80
 Frogs, 140 120
 Garoupe, 160 150
 Haddock, 140 100
 Herrings, 80 70
 " smoked, box \$1.00 —
 Live Fish, 150 140
 Lobsters, 140 120
 Mackerel, 100 60
 Oysters, 140 130
 Parrot Fish, 180 140
 Perch, 80 70
 Pomfret, 100 90
 Prawns, 140 120
 Ray, 100 80
 Roach, 160 —
 Rock Fish, 180 140
 Salmon, Canton, 120 100
 Salt Fish, 120 100
 Shark, young, 70 60
 Shrimps, 100 80
 Snapper, 110 100
 Snipe Fish, 70 60
 Soles, Fresh, 120 100
 Trench, 80 70
 Turtles, Small 320 300
Vegetables.
 Asparagus, 450 400
 Bamboo Shoots, 100 80
 Beans, sprout, 20 14
 " Broad, 40 30
 " French from Macao, 50 40
 Beet Root, 12 10
 Bransies, 12 10
 Cabbage, White Canton, 15 12
 " Common, 10 8
 " Hongkong, 70 30
 " Macao, 70 30
 " Turnip, Boh, 12 10
 Carrots, Salt, 20 —
 Carrots, Fresh, 40 30
 Cauliflower, 100 70
 Celery, Chinese, 80 20
 Celery, English, 50 40
 Cucumbers, 50 40

Chilies, Dried, catty 150 100
 " Mixed, 60 50
 Curry Stuff, English, 40 30
 Egg Plant, 40 35
 Garlic, (bulb) dried, 60 40
 Ginger, 30 20
 Greens, White, 12 10
 " Winter course, 15 —
 Green Sprouts, 20 15
 Green Peas, in shell, old, 60 50
 " young, 40 —
 " Horse Radish," S'hal, 225 200
 Lettuce, Chinese, 25 20
 " English, head 10 —
 Mint, catty 12 15
 Mushroom, dried, 750 650
 Onions, Bombay, 100 80
 " Green, 20 —
 Parsley, Chinese, 50 —
 " English, bunch 12 10
 Potatoes, new, Macao, catty 20 15
 " Sweet, 12 10
 Pumpkins, 20 15
 Radishes, 30 20
 Scallions, catty 20 15
 Shalots, 40 35
 Sesamum, 120 100
 Taro (U Tau), 12 10
 Tomatoes, 50 40
 Turnips, Salt, 20 15
 " English, each 10 —
 " Chinese, catty 15 10
 Water Lily Roots, 25 20
 Water Cress, bunch 80 20
 Yams, catty 80 20
Fruits.
 Alenites, catty 60 50
 Apples, Dried, 500 400
 " Californian, 220 200
 Bananas, fragrant Punt, 80 25
 " Common, 80 —
 Chestnuts, new, 100 —
 Cocoanuts, each 50 40
 Currants, 400 350
 Dates, 500 400
 Figs, Dried, 500 400
 Ground Nuts, 80 25
 Lemons, 70 60
 Lichees, Dried, 200 180
 Loong Ngan, Dried, 400 200
 Olives, green, Punt, catty 60 —
 Oranges, (Oolles) Chang, 40 30
 " Sweet, Sun-woey, 140 120
 " (Mand.) oolles, 40 30
 " (Mandarin), 100 80
 Papaw, 150 130
 Pears, Santocog, 115 100
 Pears, Chefoo, 100 80
 Pine-apples, Punt, each 50 40
 Plantains, common, catty 30 20
 " fragrant, 85 80
 Prunes, Dried, bottle 300 250
 Pumeloes or Shaddock, each 60 50
 " Amoy, 90 —
 Raisins, Muscatel, bottle 750 600
 " lb. 200 150
 Salesbury Seeds, Pak-wo, catty 90 70
 Sugar Cane, stick 25 20
 Tamarinds, catty 60 50
 Walnuts, 100 80
 Water Chestnuts, Canton, 60 50
Miscellaneous.
 Allspice, Chinese, bottle 200 —
 " English, 750 500
 Barley, 1600 1500
 Bran, 1600 1400
 Butter, lb. 60 50
 Canned Orange Peel, bottle 750 700
 " Lemon, 750 700
 Capers, 250 220
 Charcoal, 1600 1000
 Cheese, American, lb. 400 350
 Cinnamon, catty 800 250
 Clifton, 160 150
 Cloves, 700 500
 Coconut Oil, bottle 180 150
 Coffee, lb. 230 200
 Curry Powder, bottle 500 250
 Firewood, 400 350
 Flour, catty 40 30
 Gram, 8000 2750
 Lard, 750 —
 Lamp Oil, catty 90 80
 Macaroni, box 1000 750
 Macao, catty 750 —
 Mango Chutney, bottle 500 800
 Mustard, 180 160
 Nutmeg, each 10 8
 Olives, bottle 250 200
 Paddy, 1600 1500
 Pearl Barley, bottle 920 180
 Pepper (whole), catty 270 230
 " (ground), bottle 250 200
 Pickles, 200 150
 Rice, catty 40 35
 Sage, 100 80
 Saled Oil, 250 180
 Salt, Coarse, 10 —
 " Fine, 20 15
 Sauces, Lea & Perrins, bottle 350 200
 " Others, 200 180
 Split Peas, 80 70
 Sugar, China, 100 70
 Tapioca, 300 270
 Tea, catty 750 800
 Vermicelli, Chinese, 100 80
 " English, box 1000 950
 Vinegar, English, bottle 200 180
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